The ECLS-K:2011 will

- Provide information on students enrolled in kindergarten during the 2010-11 school year;
- Track children's progress through elementary school, providing a rich and comprehensive source of information on children's early learning and development;
- Allow comparisons with the kindergarten class of 1998-99 to see how young children's early learning experiences have changed over the intervening 12 years; and
- Provide policy makers, education professionals, researchers, and parents with important information about children's education and development.

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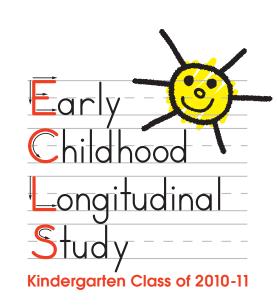
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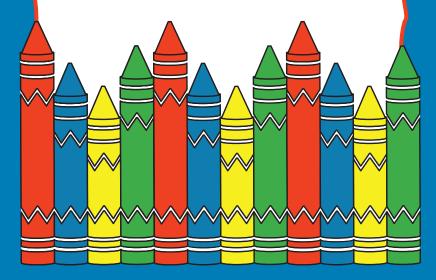
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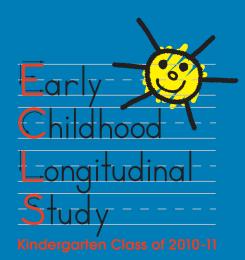
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Timeline of Data Collection Activities
2010-11 School Year





TIMELINE OF ECLS-K:2011 DATA COLLECTION ACTIVITIES FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2010-11

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	FALL 2010	SPRING 2011	BENEFITS
Principal	 Selects an assessment date convenient for the school. Identifies a school coordinator. The school coordinator works with ECLS-K:2011 staff to plan for the assessment. 	Completes the school administrator questionnaire.	 Represents principals in similar schools. Receives on average of \$200 for their school in Spring 2011. Receives \$25 in Spring 2011 in appreciation for completing the school administrator questionnaire.
School Coordinator	 Works with ECLS-K:2011 staff. Arranges logistics for data collection within the school. Provides a list of students to participate in the study. Arranges for parental notification for students to participate in the ECLS-K:2011. 	 Distributes school administrator and teacher questionnaires. Collects completed questionnaires. 	 Assists in obtaining important information about schools, teachers, and students in the U.S. Receives \$25 in Fall 2010.
Teacher	 Completes a form asking about academic skills and class-room behavior for each sampled student in his or her class. Completes a teacher questionnaire. 	 Completes a student rating form for each sampled student in his or her class. Completes a teacher questionnaire. 	 Provides important information about U.S. kindergartners and their school environments. Receives \$7 per completed Student Rating Form.
Parent	 Provides consent for his or her child to participate in the ECLS-K:2011. Responds to a telephone interview. 	• Responds to a telephone interview.	 Represents U.S. parents of kindergartners like him/herself and contributes to an understanding of the importance of family background factors in early learning and achievement. Receives informational study material including newsletters and summaries of results from previous ECLS studies.
Child	Participates in a one-on-one assessment.	Participates in a one-on-one assessment.	Represents U.S. students like him/herself and contributes to an understanding of what U.S. kindergartners know and can do.
ECLS-K:2011 Staff	 Provide school information packets to schools in advance of the school recruitment calls. Work with the principal to identify a school coordinator and to set an assessment date. Sample kindergartners within each school and link teachers to students. Help school coordinator with assessment details. Conduct child assessments and parent interviews. Maintain school, teacher, and student confidentiality. 	 Conduct child assessments and parent interviews. Collect completed school and teacher questionnaires. 	Provide valuable data to policymakers, educators, researchers, and the general public about U.S. kindergartners.
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